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Title of Invention:

NOVEL PLASMID VECTOR

Applicant(s) for DO/EO/US: Katsumatá et al.

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

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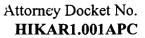
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